(a) The budget allocation for the 3 Defence Services during the last five years have been as given below :

(Rs. in Crores)

	Army	Navy	Air Force
1990-91 (Actuals) .	8680	1963	3712
1991-92 (Actuals) .	9103	2090	4057
1992-93 (Actuals) .	9366	2021	5176
1993-94 (RE) . .	11458	2644	5948
1994-95 (BE) . .	12316	2738	6393

(b) It may be seen from the above statement that there have been no reductions in the allocations made for the 3 Services, except for a marginal reduction for the Navy during 1992-93. While the Revised estimates of the Army and the Air Force for 1993-94, have been 122.34% and 114.91% of the actuals of 1992-93 respectively, the RE of the Navy for the same period has been increased by 130.83% to compensate for the slight fall in the previous year.

(c) Necessarily, prioritisation is carried out to meet the Services essential requirements within the available resources. The requirements of the Navy have also been kept in view while finalising the allocations.

Expeditious Disposal of Cases by Cat

*229. SHRI O. I. KOHLI : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) the steps Government propose to take to reduce litigations on service matters;

(b) whether it takes much longer time in deciding the cases by the Central Administrative Tribunal due to prolonged and frequent adjournments;

(c) if so, the steps taken to evolve methods to expedite the disposal of the cases so as to ensure that no case takes more than 6 months to decide; and

(d) what is the definition of 'trivial matters' ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SMT. MARGARET ALVA) : (a) The Government constantly reviews rules, orders, instructions etc. keeping in view, among other things the need to bring down litigation on service matters. It is also impressed upon all Ministries/Departments of Govt. of India to strictly adhere to and properly implement the prescribed policies, rules, orders etc. so that the litigation is reduced to a minimum.

(b) No comparative study has been undertaken to compare the time taken in disposal of cases by other courts vis-a-vis Central Administrative Tirbunal. During the last 5 years the disposal of cases by CAT has been steadily on the increase. Government has issued instructions to all Departments to properly and effectively defend their cases in the Tribunal. Adjournments are granted by the Tribunal in their judicial capacity.

(c) Steps are taken by Government to make selections and appointments for all the likely vacancies of Vice-Chairmen and Members in the Tribunal so that the successor incumbent takes over as soon as a post falls vacant on demitting office by the previous incumbent. Central Administrative Tribunal also takes necessary steps in their judicial capacity to see that cases are disposed of expeditiously.

(d) 'Trivial matters' is not defined in the rules but will have the same meaning as in common parlance.

Espionage in ISRO

*230. SHRI VIREN J. SHAH :
SHRI VAYALAR RAVI :

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the reports published in the 'Hindustan Times' of November, 24 and 'Pioneer' of December 2, 1994 relating to the arrest of Scientists of Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) and others for espionage;

(b) if so, what are the facts in this regard;

(c) what are the names of senior Scientists of ISRO and certain other persons allegedly involved in the leakage and transfer of vital information about the country's space programme and other confidential data and to whom such information has been passed on;